

are provided facilities to inspect the stocks for quality and issues are subject to their satisfaction.

Foodgrains, sugar etc. are supplied to the Fair Price Shops (FPS) including Kendriya Bhandar outlets by the Delhi Administration. Samples of the grains are also provided to the FPS owners at the time of taking delivery and the same is required to be displayed in the FPS premises.

Officers of the Delhi Administration regularly visit the FPSs including FPSs run by Kendriya Bhandar for supervision of the quality of the items supplied under the PDS. As and when complaints about the quality of foodgrains are reported/received, remedial action is taken by the Delhi Administration, including replacement of stocks of complaints are found substantiated.

[English]

#### Impact of Devaluation on Drug Prices

3283. SHRI RAM PRAKASH CHAUDHARY:  
DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether devaluation of the rupee has affected the cost of bulk drugs and their intermediates;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the extent of its impact on the availability of these drugs and their formulations; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (c). The change in exchange rate of rupee vis-a-

vis major foreign currencies has affected such bulk drugs and their intermediates which are either imported or whose production involves use of imported raw materials/intermediates. Consequently, the Government had to revise the prices of 54 bulk drugs as a corrective measure to avoid shortages of such drugs and formulations based thereon.

[Translation]

#### Drinking Water Shortage in Villages of Faridabad.

3284. SHRI AVTAR SINGH BHADANA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the serious problem of drinking water in the villages of Faridabad, Haryana; and

(b) if so, the remediate steps proposed to be taken in the matters?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) 96 villages in Faridabad district in Haryana are facing shortage of drinking water supply.

(b) Augmentation schemes for 43 villages have been approved by the State Government of Haryana. Similar schemes for 53 villages are under preparation by the State Government.

[Translation]

#### Magnet Cities

3285. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the cities which have been declared as magnet cities by the Union Government during the last year;

(b) the details of the development work undertaken after this declaration;

(c) the objectives behind the declaration about the magnet cities;

(d) whether these objectives have been achieved; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The Union Government have not declared any city as magnet city during the last year.

(b) to (e). Do not arise in view of (a) above.

[English]

#### **Review of Cadre of Group 'A' Services**

3286. SHRI GAYA PRASAD KORI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have laid down any policy to review the cadre of Group 'A' services once in every three years;

(b) if so, whether the implementation of this policy is being monitored;

(c) if so, whether the cadre review of Indian Statistical Service has been undertaken at all ever since its inception; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the action proposed to be taken in the matter?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The main reasons in this regard are:

(i) Induction of a large number of personal over and above the sanctioned strength to Grade IV of the service following a Supreme Court Order in 1986;

(ii) the order of the Central Administrative Tribunal staying upgradation of posts from Grade IV to Grade III of the Service. (The stay orders have been vacated by the Tribunal on 6th November, 1990); and

(iii) the fact that unlike other Group 'A' Central Services which mainly cater to the needs of single department, the cadre posts in the Indian Statistical Service are under the administrative control of a number of departments.

In the recent past Government have taken steps to improve the cadre structure and prospects of the Service by measures like further encadrement of posts, Introduction of cadre posts at higher levels and upgradation of posts.

#### **Welfare Institutions of Bihar Receiving Assistance from C.A.P.A.R.T.**

3287. SHRI MAHENDRA BAITHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the voluntary organisations in Bihar and Kerala which have been receiving grants and financial assistance from the C.A.P.A.R.T. to promote welfare activities;

(b) the amount of funds received by each of the organisations during the last three years ; years-wise;

(c) the names of the organisations out of them, which have been submitting their accounts and reports, regularly; and

(d) extent to which these organisations